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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Wisconsin Historical Society has completed an inventory of human remains in consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any present-day Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written request to the Wisconsin Historical Society. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains to the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations stated in this notice may proceed.

DATES: Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written request with information in support of the request to the Wisconsin Historical Society at the address in this notice by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Jennifer Kolb, Wisconsin Historical Society, 816 State Street, Madison, WI

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53706, telephone (608) 264-6434, email Jennifer.Kolb@wisconsinhistory.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains under the control of the Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI. The human remains were removed from the Ostergaard Burial Discovery in Vernon County, WI.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3) and 43 CFR 10.11(d). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Consultation

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the Wisconsin Historical Society professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin; Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin; and Upper Sioux Community, Minnesota.

History and description of the remains

In 1991, human remains representing, at minimum, one individual were removed from Ostergaard Burial Discovery (47-VE-0967) in Vernon County, WI. Mr. Chris Hill discovered the human remains, later determined to represent one adult male, in a backdirt pile from a utility construction project at the home of the Ostergaard Family. Mr. Hill gave the human remains to the Mississippi Valley Archaeological Center, who contacted the Wisconsin Historical Society Burial Sites Preservation Office. When representatives from both institutions visited the site, they observed additional human remains were eroding out of tire ruts and a slope at the site. These

human remains were left in place because the landowner did not permit excavation. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Determinations made by the Wisconsin Historical Society

Officials of the Wisconsin Historical Society have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice are Native
 American based on Wisconsin Historical Society records, burial location, archeological context, oral histories, and skeletal analysis.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), a relationship of shared group identity cannot be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and any present-day Indian Tribe.
- According to final judgments of the Indian Claims Commission or the Court of Federal
 Claims, the land from which the Native American human remains were removed is the
 aboriginal land of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin and the Winnebago Tribe of
 Nebraska.
- Native American human remains were removed is the aboriginal land of the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana; Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of the Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota; Crow Creek Sioux Tribe of the Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota; Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe of South Dakota; Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin; Lower Brule Sioux Tribe of the Lower Brule Reservation, South Dakota; Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota; Oglala Sioux Tribe (previously listed as the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota); Prairie Island Indian Community in the State of Minnesota;

Rosebud Sioux Tribe of the Rosebud Indian Reservation, South Dakota; Santee Sioux

Nation, Nebraska; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community of Minnesota; Sisseton-

Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation, South Dakota; Spirit Lake Tribe,

North Dakota; Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of North & South Dakota; Upper Sioux

Community, Minnesota; Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska; and Yankton Sioux Tribe of

South Dakota (hereafter referred to as "The Aboriginal Land Tribes").

Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.11(c)(1), the disposition of the human remains may be to The

Aboriginal Land Tribes.

Additional Requestors and Disposition

Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this

notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written

request with information in support of the request to Jennifer Kolb, Wisconsin Historical Society,

816 State Street, Madison, WI 53706, telephone (608) 264-6434, email

Jennifer.Kolb@wisconsinhistory.org, by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN

THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. After that date, if no additional requestors have come forward,

transfer of control of the human remains to The Aboriginal Land Tribes may proceed.

The Wisconsin Historical Society is responsible for notifying The Aboriginal Land

Tribes; Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake

Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin; and Menominee

Indian Tribe of Wisconsin that this notice has been published.

Dated: March 22, 2018.

Melanie O'Brien,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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